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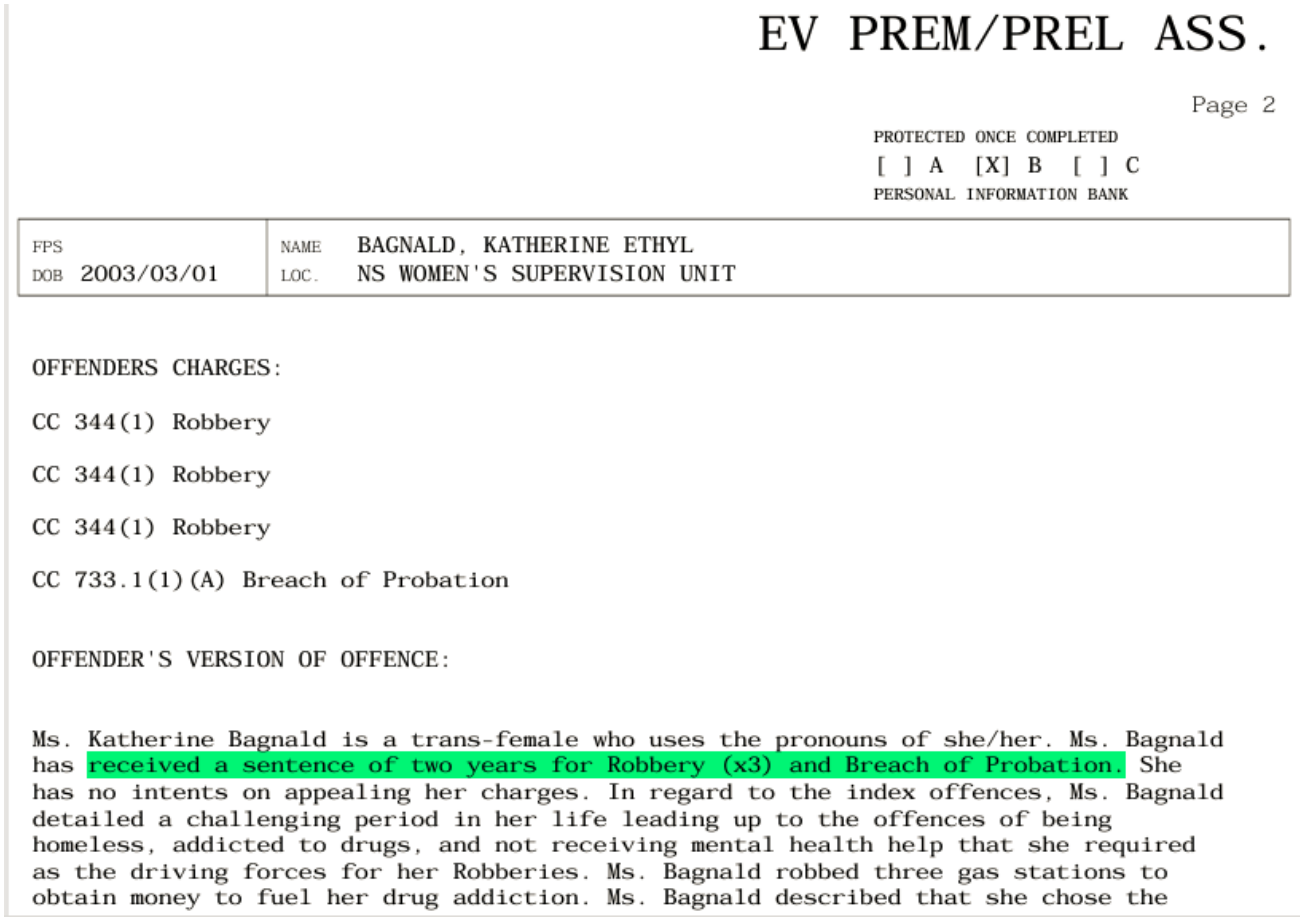
Katherine Ethyl Bagnald: Transferred To Women's Prison Despite Sexual Assault Allegation



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FPS DOB 2003/03/01	NAME BAGNALD, KATHERINE ETHYL LOC. NS WOMEN'S SUPERVISION UNIT

OFFENDERS CHARGES:

CC 344(1) Robbery

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CC 733.1(1)(A) Breach of Probation

OFFENDER'S VERSION OF OFFENCE:

Ms. Katherine Bagnald is a trans-female who uses the pronouns of she/her. Ms. Bagnald has received a sentence of two years for Robbery (x3) and Breach of Probation. She has no intents on appealing her charges. In regard to the index offences, Ms. Bagnald detailed a challenging period in her life leading up to the offences of being homeless, addicted to drugs, and not receiving mental health help that she required as the driving forces for her Robberies. Ms. Bagnald robbed three gas stations to obtain money to fuel her drug addiction. Ms. Bagnald described that she chose the

Something that largely went ignored by the media is the case of an inmate named

Katherine Ethyl Bagnald. He is a 22 year old man who was sentenced to prison time for multiple robberies, and wants to be sent to a women's jail.

Despite his age, Bagnald already has a serious criminal record. When Corrections Canada refused to put Bagnald in with women — at least for the time being — he sued the Federal Government.

His intake assessment is disturbing, to put it mildly.

- His first arrest (at 16) was for pulling a knife on his mother's boyfriend.
- He was arrested for threatening to kill his (then) girlfriend's father.
- He was previously in a fight at the CNSCF.
- He was on probation when he committed these 3 robberies.
- He claimed to have a knife when robbing these 3 gas stations.
- He was heavily into drugs and alcohol as a minor (so he claims).
- He was involved in prostitution as a minor (so he claims).

It's baffling to think that putting this mentally ill biological male with female inmates wouldn't lead to serious problems. What's more unsettling is that the responding lawyers don't cite this danger as the primary reason to refuse him.

Thanks to Ottawa's new rules on "diverse gender offenders", men can simply declare that they are women, and are allowed to be transferred. There's little (if any) consideration for the safety and comfort of the women involved.

Bagnald Accused Of Sexually Assaulting FEMALE Inmate

THE GROUNDS OF THE MOTION ARE:

a) the requested confidentiality order is necessary to put information relevant to the Applicant's Injunction Motion, currently scheduled for hearing on March 24, 2025, before the Court;

b) disclosure of the unredacted Confidential [redacted] to the public, including to the Applicant, could jeopardize any further investigative efforts into the allegation of sexual assault made against the Applicant;

c) privilege claims over investigative techniques and ongoing investigations are well recognized in Canadian courts;

d) paragraph 27(3)(c) of the *Corrections and Conditional Release Act* could operate to protect this information from disclosure, if relevant, further in the decision-making process about the Applicant's offender security level and penitentiary placement, decision-making processes which are currently ongoing; and

e) the salutary effects of the sought confidentiality order outweigh any deleterious effects.

Now we get to the uglier part. It's more than just the issue of putting a *male* inmate in a *female* prison. Bagnald is also under investigation for sexual assault of another inmate. Although some details are included in these papers, they won't be published here.

One of the reasons Bagnald cites in being allowed to go to a women's prison is that the incident had only led to an internal investigations by the jail, and not formal criminal charges. Of course, that may very well change. He also claims the encounter was consensual.

While Bagnald is suing to force the jail to put him at a women's federal penitentiary, it turns out that was unnecessary. He was later *voluntarily* transferred, despite the ongoing complaint. Corrections couldn't be bothered to at least fight the case.

Correction: He was in fact later charged with sexual assault under section 271 of the criminal code. It occurred on September 12th, 2024. However, he wasn't charged

until May 2025.

******Author's note: because of the publication ban of portions of the evidence, and on identifying the victim, the actual documents will not be published.******

Bagnald Objected To Portions Of Confidentiality Request

As is common in cases of sexual assault, and internal investigative matters, confidentiality requests are made. Bagnald opposed it, however, including sealing information that would have protected the identity of his victim.

Ultimately, the Court did agree to restrict some information.

Timeline Of Major Events In Case

September 12th, 2025: Bagnald, while in custody on robbery charges, sexually assaults a female inmate at the Central Nova Scotia Correctional Facility. However, he would not be charged with this for several months.

January 3rd, 2025: Bagnald receives a Federal (over 2 year) sentence for 3 counts of robbery and breach of probation. He is incarcerated with men, given that he is one.

January 10th, 2025: Bagnald is notified that he would be sent to the Regional Reception Centre (RRC) at Springhill Institution, which is a men's prison. This is the order that he tries to have set aside, and there is just 30 days to commence proceedings. That would be February 9th.

January 14th, 2025: Bagnald is transferred to the RRC.

February 25th, 2025: Bagnald files a Motion for an extension of Time in Federal Court. As the deadline to challenge the order has lapsed, he needs to convince the Court that he should be allowed to argue it anyway.

February 28th, 2025: Bagnald brings another Motion, this one for an order to compel

Corrections Canada to transfer him to a women's prison.

March 3rd, 2025: The Attorney General responds, objecting to the Motion to compel Bagnald's transfer to a women's prison. However, it's based primarily on procedural grounds, i.e. Statute of Limitations, and not the fact that he would be a danger to the women locked up.

March 3rd, 2025: The Attorney General also responds to the Motion for the extension of time.

March 18th, 2025: The Attorney General brings a Motion to seek (or protect) certain information from being made publicly available. While the assessment was still ongoing, it's alleged that Bagnald sexually assaulted a female inmate, a real woman. Although no criminal charges had been filed yet, the jail still had to investigate it. There is a PUBLIC version available with redactions, but only the Court has access to the full version.

March 20th, 2025: Bagnald formally objected to most of the redactions sought by the government.

March 20th, 2025: Bagnald files reply submissions in support of getting transferred.

March 24th, 2025: Federal Court agreed to withhold portions of the evidence from public view, citing the need for privacy.

March 25th, 2025: Bagnald files an Application for Judicial Review, trying to force Corrections Canada to let him be transferred to a women's prison.

April 9th, 2025: Bagnald files an amended Application.

May 14th, 2025: Bagnald is finally charged with sexual assault. The Crown elects to proceed "by indictment", the more serious option. By this time, he's already at the Nova Institute for Women, a federal penitentiary.

June 17th, 2025: A publication ban is ordered to protect the sexual assault victim, and witnesses who may be involved in the case.

June 19th, 2025: The Government brings forward a Motion to Strike for the Federal case.

The basis is that by now, Bagnald has already been transferred to a women's prison, and hence, the Application is moot.

June 30th, 2025: Bagnald responds to the Motion to Strike. While he as already been moved, he wants to proceed anyway, in order to create a precedent that can be used later.

Note: All of the dates listed can be confirmed by searching the respective cases on the Federal Court website. It keeps a detailed listing of all significant events.

There's nothing "progressive" or "enlightened" about implementing these sorts of policies. Supporters simply hate women, and are indifferent (at best) to the harm that they cause.

MOTION REQUESTING EXTENSION OF TIME (25-T-23):
(1) Bagnald Risk Assessment Corrections Canada (January, 2025)
(2) Bagnald Gender Diverse Inmate Directives
(3) Bagnald Motion Record To Extend Time (February, 2025)
(4) Bagnald Letter To Court Requesting Urgency (February, 2025)
(5) Bagnald Motion Record Requiring Transfer (February, 2025)
(6) Bagnald Responding Motion Record Extension Of Time (March, 2025)
(7) Bagnald PUBLIC Responding Motion Record Transfer (March, 2025)
(8) Bagnald Written Submissions Transfer (March, 2025)
(9) Bagnald Cost Agreement (March, 2025)
(10) Bagnald – Decision Granting Extension Of Time To File Application (March, 2025)

APPLICATION TO REVIEW DECISION (T-982-25):
(1) Bagnald Notice Of Application (March, 2025)
(2) Bagnald Amended Notice Of Application (April, 2025)
(3) Bagnald Motion Record To Strike (June, 2025)
(4) Bagnald Responding Motion Record To Strike (June, 2025)

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